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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (previously amended) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support, comprising:
 - a first leg;
 - a second leg;
 - a third leg connecting said first leg to said second leg, said first and second legs extending in substantially the same direction from said second leg;
 - a cut-out extending from said first leg onto said third leg; and
 - an adjustable member formed by said cut-out to facilitate securing said bracket to the support.
2. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1, wherein
said second leg is substantially parallel to said first leg.
3. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1, wherein
said cut-out is substantially U-shaped.
4. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1, wherein
said adjustable member has an end on said first leg of said bracket.
5. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 4, wherein
said second leg of said bracket has a plurality of weld projections to facilitate securing the electrical box to said bracket.

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6. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1,
wherein
 said second leg of said bracket has a bent distal end.
7. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 6,
wherein
 said bent distal end of said second leg extends at an angle of substantially 45
 degrees.
8. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1,
wherein
 said second leg of said bracket has a step to facilitate securing said bracket to the
 support.
9. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1,
wherein
 said third leg is substantially perpendicular to said first and second legs.
10. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1,
wherein
 said bracket is made of steel.
11. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1,
wherein
 said third leg of said bracket has at least one fastener hole to facilitate to securing
 said bracket to the support.

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12. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 1, wherein

a centerline is marked on said third leg of said bracket adjacent an end of said cut-out, said centerline being alignable with corresponding indicia on the support visible through said cut-out.
13. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 12, wherein

said centerline is stamped in said third leg of said bracket.
14. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support, comprising:

a first leg having first and second ends;

a second leg having third and fourth ends, said second leg being substantially parallel to said first leg;

a third leg having fifth and sixth ends, said fifth end of said third leg being connected to said second end of said first leg and said sixth end of said third leg being connected to said fourth end of said second leg;

a cut-out extending from said first leg onto said third leg;

an adjustable member formed by said cut-out to facilitate securing said bracket to the support; and

a bent distal end extending outwardly at said third end of said second leg.
15. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein

said third leg is substantially perpendicular to said first and second legs.

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16. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein
said bent distal end extends at an angle of substantially 45 degrees from the second leg.
17. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein
said cut-out is substantially U-shaped.
18. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein
said adjustable member has an end on said first leg of said bracket.
19. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein
said second leg of said bracket has a plurality of weld projections to facilitate securing the electrical box to said bracket.
20. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein
said second leg of said bracket has a step to facilitate securing said bracket to the support.
21. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein
said bracket is made of steel.

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22. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein

said third leg of said bracket has at least one fastener hole to facilitate securing said bracket to the support.
23. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 14, wherein

a centerline is marked on said third leg of said bracket adjacent an end of said cut-out, said centerline being alignable with corresponding indicia on the support visible through said cut-out.
24. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 23, wherein

said centerline is stamped in said third leg of said bracket.
25. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support, comprising:
 - a first leg having first and second ends;
 - a second leg having third and fourth ends, said second leg being substantially parallel to said first leg;
 - a third leg having fifth and sixth ends, said fifth end of said third leg being connected to said second end of said first leg and said sixth end of said third leg being connected to said fourth end of said second leg, said third leg being substantially perpendicular to said first and second legs;
 - a substantially U-shaped cut-out extending from a fixed end on said first leg onto said third leg;
 - an adjustable member formed by said cut-out to facilitate securing said bracket to the support;
 - a bent distal end extending outwardly at said third end of said second leg;
 - a plurality of weld projections on said second leg to facilitate attaching said bracket to the electrical box; and

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at least one fastener hole on said third leg to facilitate securing said bracket to the support.

26. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 25, wherein

 said second leg of said bracket has a step to facilitate securing said bracket to the support.

27. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 25, wherein

 said bracket is made of steel.

28. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 29, wherein

 said bent distal end extends at an angle of substantially 45 degrees from said second leg.

29. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 25, wherein

 a centerline is marked on said third leg of said bracket adjacent an end of said cut-out, said centerline being alignable with corresponding indicia on the support visible through said cut-out.

30. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 29, wherein

 said centerline is stamped in said third leg of said bracket.

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31. (previously amended) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support, comprising:
 - a first leg;
 - a second leg;
 - a third leg connecting said first leg to said second leg, said first and second legs extending in substantially the same direction from said second leg;
 - a cut-out extending from said first leg onto said third leg; and
 - a securing member pivotally coupled to said first leg, and at least a portion of said securing member is received in said cut-out.
32. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 31, wherein
said securing member is integral with said first leg.
33. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 31, wherein
said securing member has a longitudinal length extending substantially to an end of said first leg.
34. (original) A bracket for securing an electrical box to a support according to claim 31, wherein
said first and third legs are substantially perpendicular.
35. (original) A method of securing a bracket to a support, comprising the steps of
securing an electrical box to the bracket,
bending an adjustable member formed by the cut-out in the bracket to engage the support to which the bracket is being secured,
aligning a centerline on the bracket with indicia on the support, the indicia being visible through a cut-out in the bracket,
positioning the bracket on the support, and

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securing the bracket to the support.

36. (original) A method of securing a bracket to a support according to claim 35, wherein the step of securing the bracket to the support comprises inserting fasteners through fastener holes in the bracket and into the support.
37. (original) A method of securing a bracket to a support according to claim 35, wherein the step of securing the electrical box to the bracket comprises welding weld projections on the bracket to the electrical box.